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Projects Control Staff
14 June 1955

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : ORR Preparations for Operation
[REDACTED] 15, 16 and 17 June 1955 25X1A

BACKGROUND

1. An emergency exercise involving ORR was announced by the AD to his staff on 24 May 1955 and to Area Chiefs on 26 May 1955.

This exercise, Operation [REDACTED] will, to some degree, incur the participation of all executive agencies of the Federal Government.

The primary mission of the exercise is to provide for the uninterrupted function of government on the eve of, and during, a bombing attack upon the seat of government, Washington, D.C. All executive officials and key personnel will repair to relocation centers, theretofore established, at the sounding of a pre-arranged signal. All personnel will leave their offices and gather at prescribed vehicles as a prelude to simulated evacuation arrangements.

2. The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) will actively participate in this exercise, under the general supervision of the Intelligence Advisory Committee (IAC), for the purpose of assessing:

a. an evaluation of the effectiveness of the CIA relocation center,

b. the ability of the Agency to function under attack conditions whereby personnel are established as an operating unit apart from headquarters,

c. the adequacy and extent of ORR records forwarded to vital storage,

d. the effectiveness of CIA communications systems and equipment,

e. capabilities of coordination in emergency among IAC agencies,

f. the validity of existing directives to provide for proper discharge of business and allocation of authority during an emergency.

3. The problem assumes:

a. Phase I. During the first 24 hours--relations between the US and USSR have deteriorated to the point that hostilities may be imminent,

b. Phase II. During the succeeding 29 hours--SAC bases, Washington, D.C. and other US cities are under attack; St. Louis and 6 other cities annihilated; and the war has spread to non-Bloc areas of the world.

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5. The DDI component will provide 100 key personnel at the relocation center. The ORR Team will consist of the following:

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6. a. SI clearance is mandatory for all participants at the relocation center,

b. The code designation for [redacted] communications and completed papers is [redacted]

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c. No [redacted] materials will be disseminated beyond the continental US.

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d. [redacted] Special Assistant to the DDI, is responsible for [redacted] arrangements affecting the DDI component and [redacted] Executive to the AD/RR, is discharging this function for ORR.

e. Mr. Huntington Sheldon, AD/CI, will be senior DDI representative at the Center.

ORR PREPARATIONS

7. Availability of Reports and Information

- a. A check of ORR records with those of the Vital Records repository establishes that all ORR finished intelligence reports (at a minimum, 1951 to date) are at the relocation center.
- b. Twenty-five support papers (IP's), contribution to NIE's, were delivered to vital records on 10 June 1955.
- c. Six recent ORR reports (unpublished) in manuscript form were forwarded to vital records on 10 June 1955.
- d. The AD and Senior Member, ORR Team, visited the Center on 9 June 1955 to appraise the availability of documents and to survey arrangements for operation of the Center. Representatives of the Geographic Area likewise recently visited the Center to ensure that necessary facilities were available.
- e. The Senior Member, ORR Team, will receive from St/PC the morning of 15 June 1955 the following lists and indexes of ORR reports for reference during the operation:
 - (1) A bound book (Black Book) consisting of an index of all completed reports of the Economic Research Area (including support and SC reports), arranged according to geographic area of the world.
 - (2) A list of all Current Support Memorandum (both collateral and SC), arranged according to geographic area of the world.

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(3) A list of all unpublished NIS on the Soviet Bloc and Sino-Soviet Bloc.

(4) A list of all recently completed, but unpublished, ERA reports in manuscript form (the original thereof now in the fluid process of editing, or in review, or being typed, or in reproduction).

(5) Copies of all current Status of Projects reports.

(6) Copies of annual and semi-annual reports (beginning with 1951) of all ORR completed projects.

(f) The Senior Member has identified on a list the name of the analyst responsible for each ERA project now in progress.

(g) The Chief, Geographic Area has compiled a similar identification for his Area's projects.

(h) The ERA has forwarded to vital records microfilmed copies of the estimates file, to date.

(i) The Chief, Coordination Area (a Team member) is supplied with reports of the status of all unfinished NIS on non-Bloc areas and with records of EIC production.

(j) The Chief, Geographic Area is assured that the vital records repository contains a comprehensive collection of maps and graphic aids and facilities for appropriate presentation. In this connection, he has conferred with the Graphics Section, OCI, to provide arrangements satisfactory to both Offices.

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8. Assignment of ORR personnel to watch duties after normal work hours.

a. The following Areas and Staff will maintain watches, nightly, in M Building from 1700 to 0830 on 15 and 16 June 1955:

Economic Research Area
Geographic Research Area
Projects Control Staff

b. During the periods above-mentioned the duty station of night watch officers will be Room 2109 (Extension 2763), except when the Area representatives are required to serve as DDI watch officers in the OCI Watch Office.

c. Three officers of the Coordination Area, one from each division, will be on call during the period 1700 to 0830 at their residences.

9. During the normal work-day St/PC will act as the central control point for all incoming and outgoing communications or materials pertaining to [REDACTED] This staff will maintain a record of all such business transacted between ORR and the ORR Team at the Center.

MISSION AND FUNCTIONS OF ORR TEAM

10. It is unknown at this time whether or not the IAC will impose the preparation of a national estimate upon its agencies. However, representatives of all intelligence services will be present at the Center (assigned to ONE). The ORR Team is prepared to contribute to any

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national estimate requiring their competence. Apart from such a project, the Team anticipates that their support will be required by:

OCI - which will publish a daily bulletin on current events and will dispose of current cables and messages.

DDP - which will engage in a command post exercise.

SA, DDI- who will supplement the above by a variety of original problems.

IAC Agencies - as their needs may require in the course of their support to independently devised Service problems.

11. The ORR Team is an integrated group within the DDI's total representation at the Center. As such, ORR personnel will cooperate with other DDI offices in the interest of the common good of the component.

12. It is assumed that, to appropriately test the capabilities of the Center's operations unit, all coordination between IAC agencies during [REDACTED] will be discharged by personnel at the Center.

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13. At the conclusion of [REDACTED] all ORR participants therein are directed to submit critiques to the DDI in which any deficiencies which developed in arrangement, procedures or operations are brought to his attention.

ORR leader - combined report to SA/DDI.

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